

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

Chairman: Mr. Jack H. Schurlknight, Council Member District No. 6

A **meeting** of the **Committee on Finance**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on Monday, **May 29, 2012**, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:08 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4; Committee Member Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; Committee Member Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8; ex-officios: Mr. Daniel W. Davis, County Supervisor, Mr. Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1, and Mr. Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2; Ms. Nicole Scott Ewing, County Attorney; and Mrs. Patricia R. Dennis, County Council Office. Mr. Dennis Fish, Council District No. 5, was excused from this meeting.

Chairman Schurlknight: "I'd like to call the Committee of Finance Meeting to order, and I'd like to welcome everybody here tonight. It's always good to see a nice crowd here. Mrs. Dennis, has this meeting been properly noticed?"

Mrs. Dennis: "Yes, Mr. Chairman, the meeting does meet the requirements of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act."

Chairman Schurlknight: "Thank you, ma'am."

Committee Member Pinckney gave the Invocation, and Mr. Farley led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Schurlknight: "The first item on the agenda is approval of minutes for April 23, 2012."

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters relating to the proposed location, expansion or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the County; discussions of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property; the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney/client privilege; settlement of legal claim; or the position of the County in other adversarial situations involving the assertion against the County of a claim. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The Committee entered into Executive Session at 6:11 p.m., and returned to Committee Session at 6:29 p.m.

Chairman Schurlknight: “Madame Attorney, would you report us out of Executive Session?”

Ms. Ewing: “Yes, Mr. Chairman. The Committee went into Executive Session for the reasons stated in the motion. No action was taken.”

Chairman Schurlknight: “Thank you, ma’am.”

Review prior to Second Reading of the following:

1. Bill No. 12-08, an **ordinance** providing for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 for the **Devon Forest Special Tax District Operational Budget**; and to provide for the expenditures of the revenues received by the Devon Forest Special Tax District during the fiscal year.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Call to **approve** consideration, prior to Second Reading, of Bill No. 12-08. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

2. Bill No. 12-09, an **ordinance** providing for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 for the **Pimlico Special Tax District Operational Budget**; and to provide for the expenditures of the revenues received by the Pimlico Special Tax District during the fiscal year.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Cathy Davis to **approve** consideration, prior to Second Reading, of Bill No. 12-09. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

3. Bill No. 12-10, an **ordinance** providing for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 for the **Sangaree Special Tax District Operational**

Budget; and to provide for the expenditures of the revenues received by the Sangaree Special Tax District during the fiscal year.

It was moved by Committee Member Cathy Davis and seconded by Committee Member Steve Davis to **approve** consideration, prior to Second Reading, of Bill No. 12-10. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

4. Bill No. 12-11, an **ordinance** providing for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 for the **Tall Pines Special Tax District Operational Budget;** and to provide for the expenditures of the revenues received by the Tall Pines Special Tax District during the fiscal year.

It was moved by Committee Member Cathy Davis and seconded by Committee Member Steve Davis to **approve** consideration, prior to Second Reading, of Bill No. 12-11. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

5. Bill No. 12-12, an **ordinance** providing for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 for the operational budget of the **Berkeley County Special Fire Tax District** within the unincorporated portions of Berkeley County; and to provide for the expenditures of the revenues received by the Special Fire Tax District during the fiscal year.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to **approve** consideration, prior to Second Reading, of Bill No. 12-12. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

6. Bill No. 12-13, an **ordinance** providing appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 for **Berkeley County**; to provide for levy of taxes on all taxable property in Berkeley County for all County purposes; to provide for the expenditures of said taxes and other revenues coming into the County for the fiscal year; and to amend the Code of Ordinances, Berkeley County, South Carolina, setting rates, charges and penalties for water and sewer and solid waste service by **Berkeley County Water and Sanitation**.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to **approve** consideration, prior to Second Reading, of Bill No. 12-13. The motion passed by majority voice vote of the Committee. Committee Member Cathy Davis voted, "Nay."

7. Bill No. 12-14, an **ordinance** to amend Ordinance No. 11-06-17, adopted June 27, 2011, to provide for **supplemental appropriations** and allocations thereof within the 2011-2012 budget for Berkeley County; and other matters relating thereto.

Committee Member Pinckney: "Move for approval."

Chairman Schurlknight: "We have a motion. Do we have a second?"

Committee Member Steve Davis: "I'm gonna second it just for discussion. I want to be updated.

Chairman Schurlknight: "That will be fine."

It was moved by Committee Member Pinckney and seconded by Committee Member Steve Davis to **approve** consideration, prior to Second Reading, of Bill No. 12-14.

Chairman Schurlknight: "Kace, if you would give us an update, thank you."

Ms. Kace Smith, Finance Director/Deputy Supervisor: "Good evening, County Council."

Committee Member Pinckney: "Good evening."

Ms. Smith: "Tonight, this is requesting a Second Reading on Supplemental Appropriations. This will adjust the 11-12 budget. This is the information that I e-mailed each of you on Friday, and you should have received a copy of it in your packet this evening. There are several adjustments that we're making. The first adjustment is one for Sangaree Special Tax District. This was something that should have been included in the original budget that was passed back last June, but it was omitted. An error, it's to increase the budget overall by 200,000 for Sangaree and the related expenditures. On the second adjustment is to budget the insurance proceeds and to budget the related expenditures. The third adjustment is to adjust the budget for our Roads and Bridges Department for some reimbursements that they have received from work that they have performed and also to budget the related expenditures. The fourth adjustment is to budget for the carryover monies for our elected officials. The fifth adjustment is to budget for the carryover funds for our Pooled Fire Fees, and that's in the amount of 38,000. The sixth adjustment is a couple of miscellaneous adjustments. One of them, after we had passed the budget, the state approved the County paying the Registration Board a stipend of 12,500, so this is to budget those revenues and the related expenses, as well as an adjustment within the Insurance and Bond expenditures between two departments. It's just shifting it between one department and the other. And, the seventh adjustment is to budget for some carryover funds and the related expenditures for the Library."

Chairman Schurlknight: "Thank you; any questions for Kace on this?"

Committee Member Steve Davis: "So, Kace, these were not presented at the – when we had the workshop?"

Ms. Smith: "No, Sir; these are to adjust the current year budget."

Committee Member Steve Davis: "You're not talking about next year?"

Ms. Smith: “Yes, Sir; this is the current year budget adjustment.”

Mr. Farley: “What will the increase be on that, total?”

Ms. Smith: “Well, overall, we’re not increasing – the only budget that is increasing overall is Sangaree Special Tax District, and that’s by 200,000. The rest of this, well, is mostly between line items; although, we are budgeting some carryover funds for the elected officials. That’s \$891,360.”

Chairman Schurlknight: “Any more comments?”

There was no further discussion.

The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Schurlknight: “Thank you, Kace. I’ll entertain a motion to adjourn.”

It was moved by Committee Member Pinckney and seconded by Committee Member Steve Davis to **adjourn** the meeting of the Committee on Finance. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

June 25, 2012
Date Approved

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Mr. Dennis Fish, District No. 5, ex officio
Mr. Daniel W. Davis, Supervisor, ex officio

A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council will be held on **Tuesday, May 29, 2012**, at **6:00 p.m.**, in the Assembly Room, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

AGENDA

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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April 23, 2012

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May 23, 2012
S/Patricia R. Dennis
Catherine R. Windham
Interim Clerk to Council